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METHOD FOR PRODUCING PURINE NUCLEOSIDE BY FERMENTATION

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SIR:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- No additional fee is required
- □ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is claimed.
- Additional documents filed herewith:

Request for Extension of Time; Marked-up copy

The Fee has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS	CLAIMS REMAINING		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID	NO. EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	CALCULATIONS
TOTAL	26	MINUS	20	6	× \$18 =	\$108.00
INDEPENDENT	2	MINUS	3	0	× \$84 =	\$0.00
		□ MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS + \$280 =			\$0.00	
		TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS				\$108.00
	□ Reduction by 50% for filing by Small Entity					\$0.00
		□ Recordation of Assignment + \$40 =			\$0.00	
					TOTAL	\$108.00

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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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SIR:

In response to the Official Action dated August 14, 2001, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in light of the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as shown in the marked-up copy attached to read as follows:

13. (Amended) A method for producing a purine nucleoside by fermentation comprising culturing a microorganism in a culture medium to produce and accumulate the purine nucleoside in the medium, and collecting the purine nucleoside, wherein the microorganism belongs to the genus Escherichia and has acquired purine nucleosideproducing ability because of an activity increase of an enzyme involved in purine nucleoside biosynthesis in cells of the microorganism.

Please add new Claims 14-23.

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